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Chrysanthemums Shasta Daisies



ANGEL WINGS



Gladiolus



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Another year has passed all too quickly and I am again privileged to submit a selected list of beautiful flowers. I sincerely hope that your gardens last season gave as much pleasure to you as my garden did to me. I am obliged to withdraw the *Pyrethrum Lady Phyllis* until I can sufficiently increase my stock. I believe the two new introductions this year are worthy of your consideration.

NEW INTRODUCTIONS



BRENDA ELIZABETH

A gladiolus which is outstanding for the exhibitor as well as the home gardener. It will easily open 9-10 florets of 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " size. It is a strong, vigorous grower 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 feet tall and the stems do not crook. It is an early midsummer variety. The exquisite ruffled buds are orange but on opening have more of a salmon undertone. The throat is white with several rather conspicuous reddish lines. One spike is a breath-taking bouquet in itself. Owing to a slight accident I am only releasing a limited amount of bulbs.

Blooming size—ea. \$10.

MOON GLOW — This light yellow dahlia is introduced because of its cut flower value. It is a very free bloomer of the informal decorative type. The blooms are fairly large (8 x 4) on long stems. The plant grows 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 feet tall. Green plants about May 15. ea.—\$2.00



GLADIOLUS

As I am primarily interested in hybridizing, I do not grow great quantities of gladiolus. I now have about 150 of the newest and best varieties.

ANGEL WINGS (1946)—A very early medium decorative variety of gladiolus. The beautifully ruffled creamy buds open their triangular wings to a translucent white with opalescent shadings. It grows 47 inches tall with 4½ inch blooms. Does not crook. A seedling of Picardy x Amrita. Produces quantities of cormlets which germinate easily. Any size—3 for \$2.00

HANNAH DUSTIN (1946)—A large decorative gladiolus—early blooming. The general effect of the flower when opening is a long white bud flushed with soft pink. However, when the bud opens a medium red blotch surrounded by yellow is revealed. These vivid colors brought to mind the story of Hannah Dustin and the Indians, hence the name. Opens 6-7 five inch blossoms on a tall willow spike which does not crook. A producer of many large bulblets which readily germinate. Like Angel Wings can be cut 100%.

Any size—3 for \$2.00

The following are unlabelled but are mixed at the time your order is received and will give a representative showing of all colors.

100	corms	\$5.00
50	"	2.50
25	"	1.50

SHASTA DAISIES

BRIDE'S DELIGHT (1946)

—A very large semi-double white Shasta Daisy. It has two rows of broad over-lapping petals and a small yellow center. The tips of the petals are notched. Beautiful dark green disease-resistant foliage. It grows 2 to 2½ feet tall with 5-6" blooms. It is in bloom from the middle of June until late October if the faded blossoms are kept picked. As it is hardy, it is a "must have" for the perennial border.

Large plants—ea. \$1.00—3 for \$2.50

G. MARCONI—The largest and most perfectly formed double white Shasta. If disbudded the blooms are from 6½-7 inches in diameter. Grown from the originator's stock. Large size—ea. .75

SEEDLINGS—Grown from hand-pollinated seed. Single and double (mixed). doz. \$1.50

DELPHINIUMS

This year I am only offering seedlings as they transplant easily and, if set out in April, give much better results the first season than older plants. My best seedling last year gave me a spike five feet tall of which 36 inches was blossom. These seedlings are from my own hand-pollinated seed and are the result of crosses between seedlings raised from seed of Pacific Hybrids, the Lyondel strain and my own selected plants. Mixed colors—state preference whether light or dark; 3" pots.

	1 doz. \$3.00
White	1 doz. \$3.00

LIATRIS (Pychostachya)—An extra long-stemmed variety 3 to 5 feet tall. The bold spikes of rosy purple flowers, opening from the top downward, make excellent cut flowers and are exceptionally attractive when arranged with gladiolus. Large size—ea. .50

PYRETHRUM (Painted Daisy)—These are very hardy and will make an excellent showing with a minimum of care. They are not bothered by insects. Fine cut flower. Mixed colors. Single—3 for \$1.25
Double—3 for 2.00

LADY PHYLLIS—Withdrawn for increase.

GARDEN CHRYSANTHEMUMS



The following beautiful varieties are reasonably hardy. No plants will be shipped until the latter part of May and will be pinched back at least once.

ALLEGRO—Large, fully-double, shrimp-pink blooms. May be disbudded to a single flower. Oct. 15.

GLACIER — Large, pure white double flowers. A good cut flower. Blooms early. Sept.

MAROON 'N' GOLD — Large, fully-double flowers. Incurved petals, maroon above and golden on under side. August.

LAVENDER LADY—Lavender.

MRS. du PONT—Peach pink.

RED VELVET—Deep crimson.

KING MIDAS—Very large; bronze yellow.

AVALANCHE—White.

YELLOW SPOON—Unique petals; my favorite spoon.

ORCHID SPOON—The earliest of the spoons.

EMBER—Glistening orange bronze; late October.

PSYCHE—Large single; pale pink or blush white.

POLAR ICE—Early white.

All Chrysanthemums are uniformly priced at 50c each.

HEUCHERA

ELFIN BELLS (1946)—One of the finest Heucheras (Coral Bells). The dainty blossoms are quite large and while opening a delightful old rose soon fade to an exquisite shade of pink. The leaves are glossy, dark green, and considerably larger than the ordinary type.

Large size—ea. .75

ANNUALS

For local delivery I expect to have ready early in May.

PETUNIAS

America (Small Double)—Rose Pink—for bedding
1 doz. \$2.00

Canadian All-Double (Large)—Mixed colors
1 doz. 3.00

Dwarf Giants—White, Lavender—Mixed
1 doz. 2.50

Large Flowered—Separate or mixed 1 doz. 2.00

Small Flowered—Separate or mixed 1 doz. 1.00



STOCKS —3 inch pots	1 doz.	1.00
SNAPDRAGON —Separate or mixed	1 doz.	.75
Burpee Tetra —Mixed	1 doz.	1.00
Velvet Giant (Crimson)	1 doz.	1.00
Burpee Double	1 doz.	2.00
CARNATION SUPERGIANT —Mixed	1 doz.	1.00
AGERATUM SALPIGLOSSIS ZINNIAS ASTERS		
	1 doz.	.50

VEGETABLES

TOMATOES —Pot grown	doz.	\$1.00
6 inch pots	“	2.50
PEPPERS	“	.60
LETTUCE BROCCOLI CABBAGE		

TERMS

Cash with order. Plants shipped express, collect.
 Gladiolus postpaid.

